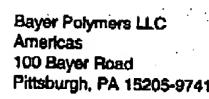
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This is in response to the Office Action mailed on October 1, 2003, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on January 1, 2004. The Examiner's rejections have been carefully considered, and in view of the remarks, reconsideration and early allowance of Claims 1-7 is courteously requested.

Amendment to the Specification: None.

Amendment to the Claims: None, a listing of Claims 1-7 begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Drawings: None.

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